

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505

17 June 1986

Dear Mrs. Loeb,

I appreciate your note and particularly your letter to Editor & Publisher. It is a great source of encouragement to many of us.

Best wishes.

Yours,

William J. Casey

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Dear Mr. Casey:

Noting the editorial in Editor & Publisher on May 31, I could not resist sending them the letter, copy enclosed, which they probably will not print.

You keep after these folks because they deserve it, and I am especially incensed because actions like those that go on at the Post and other newspapers do not help the reputation of the press as a whole.

One of these days when you feel you aren't getting support, please ask The Union Leader not to print something and we will do just that. That will at least put one on your side.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Mrs. William Loeb

NSL:Mrs. S. Raymond
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Gentlemen:

May I point out some non sequiturs in your editorial of May 31 on press intimidation.

In answer to Director William Casey's remarks, "If you publish this . . . I would recommend that you be prosecuted," the editorial states, "That is intimidation pure and simple." That is like saying that "if you mug old ladies, you will be punished" is intimidating the mugger.

Again "Pelton is accused of . . . giving the Soviets the very same information the press is now accused of giving to the Soviets." Again to the example of the mugger, he will plead innocent because the lady had been robbed before he got there.

"The Department of Justice . . . has not seen fit to take action . . . suggesting it does not believe the accusations are valid." In terms of the mugger, "He got a tap on the wrist, so he must be falsely accused of the mugging."

The questions of what to report and what not to report could be answered much more simply if the press remembered that they are American citizens first and newspaper people second. This country has given them too many freedoms not to expect loyalty in return.

Sincerely,

Mrs. William Loeb

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"There Is Nothing So Powerful As Truth"
